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SUBJECT: UNREST IN ANGOLA

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1. FURTHER TO REFTEL AND FOR WHAT IT MAY BE WORTH, WELL
CONNECTED YUGOSLAV OFFICIAL HAS TOLD US FOLLOWING. FROM
6 AM TO 11 AM MORNING OF COUP SOVIETS AND CUBANS
PURPOSEFULLY STOOD BACK AS THEY HOPED NETO WOULD BE
ASSASSINATED AND ALVES TAKE OVER. BY LATE MORNING WHEN
IT BECAME EVIDENT THAT PEOPLE RALLYING TO NETO, SOVIETS
AND CUBANS DECIDED THEY HAD TO SUPPORT HIM. NETO'S
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PEOPLE HAVE TOLD YUGOSLAVS THEY AWARE OF THIS TREAVBERY
AND AS A RESULT RELATIONS EXTREMELY STRAINED. GOY NOW
BELIEVES KEY FACTOR FOR FUTURE OF ANGOLA IS U.S. AND WEST'S
REALIZATION OF NETO'S PRESENT SITUATION AND OUR
WILLINGNESS TO HELP HIM. THIS MUST BE DONE WITH
DISCRETION, PARTICULARLY BY ENDORSING ANGOLA'S
NON-ALIGNMENT AND THROUGH TRADE AND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE,

WHICH OTHER NON-ALIGNED NATIONS LIKE YUGOSLAVIA NOT IN
A POSITION ADEQUATELY TO PROVIDE.

2. COMMENT: YUGOSLAVS HAVE LONG PUSHED US TO BE MORE UNDERSTANDING
AND
HELPFUL WITH NETO TO BALANCE SOVIET PRESENCE. THUS THIS VERSION
OF COUP EVENTS COULD BE DESIGNED TO ELICIT OUR SUPPORT.
AT SAME TIME IF THIS VERSION OF EVENTS AND PRESENT STATE
OF NETO-SOVIET RELATIONS IS CORRECT IT IS OF OBVIOUS POLICY
SIGNIFICANCE.
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